

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Kazutaka AKIYAMA	)	Group Art Unit: 2826
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Application No.: 10/807,274	)	Examiner: Leonardo ANDUJAR
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Filed: March 24, 2004	)	
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND	)	Confirmation No.: 3986
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE	)	
MANUFACTURING METHOD	)	

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**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and after the final Office Action dated December 11, 2008, the period for response to which extends through March 11, 2009. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendments section of this paper.